AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

- 1. (Currently Amended) A grinding, polishing or paring machine with a horizontally or vertically arranged working area formed between a rotor fitted with tools and a perforated basket, the perforated basket including a product outlet [[of]] which [[can]] is configured to be sealed with a baffle plate, and wherein the rotor is designed as includes a hollow shaft with air through openings, wherein the baffle plate [[can]] is configured to be continuously actuated by means of a membrane drive.
- 2. (Currently Amended) A grinding, polishing or paring machine with vertically arranged working area formed between a rotor fitted with tools and a perforated basket, wherein the rotor is designed as includes a hollow shaft with air through openings, wherein the hollow shaft has an upper and a lower air inlet.
- (Previously Presented) The grinding, polishing or paring machine according 3. to claim 1, wherein the air through openings are longitudinal, running in the axial direction.
- 4. (Previously Presented) The grinding, polishing or paring machine according to claim 1 wherein the rotor is wedge-shaped.

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- 5. (Previously Presented) The grinding, polishing or paring machine according
- to claim 1, wherein the hollow shaft has an upper and a lower air inlet.

means of a movable baffle plate.

- 6. (Currently Amended) The grinding, polishing or paring machine according to claim 2, wherein [[he]] the product outlet of the working area can be sealed by
- 7. (Previously Presented) The grinding, polishing or paring machine according to claim 6, wherein the baffle plate can be actuated by means of a membrane drive.
- 8. (Previously Presented) The grinding, polishing or paring machine according to claim 2, wherein the air through openings are longitudinal, running in the axial direction.
- 9. (Previously Presented) The grinding, polishing or paring machine according to claim 2, wherein the rotor is wedge-shaped.
- 10. (New) The grinding, polishing or paring machine according to claim 1, wherein the membrane drive is pneumatic.